inside of a] sidewall of the tire;

the balancing device is disposed radially along <u>an outboard</u> [the outside of a] sidewall of the tire;

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.121, replacement paragraphs incorporating the amendments are attached hereto as Exhibit B.

## In the Claims

Please amend the Claims 2-5, 9, 12-13, 16 and 20-28 as follows:

- 2. (Twice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said balancing weight is made of a lead material.
- 3. (Twice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said balancing weight is made of iron alloy.
- 4. (Twice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said balancing weight is made of zinc and aluminum alloy.
- 5. (Twice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said balancing weight is made of plastic material.
- 9. (Thrice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said balancing weight has an approximately rectangular cross section.
- 12. (Thrice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said case further comprises sections and said <u>balancing</u> weight further comprises passages, said sections passing through said passages of said <u>balancing</u> weight.
- 13. (Thrice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said case is glued to a surface of said <u>balancing</u> weight.



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- 16. (Thrice Amended) A device according to claim 1, wherein said device further [comprising] comprises a tape attached to said at least one surface, the surfaces of said tape being coated with adhesive.
- 20. (Twice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> including a rim having an axis, a tire and a balancing device, said balancing device comprising:

a case having at least one surface thereon; and

a single balancing weight enclosed in said case, said at least one surface of said case being firmly mounted to a surface of a side of said tire.

- 21. (Twice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> according to claim 20, wherein at least one said balancing device is mounted to each side of said tire.
- 22. (Thrice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> according to claim 20, wherein said balancing device is mounted along a side of said tire close to said rim.
- 23. (Thrice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> according to claim 20, wherein said tire further comprises a section of maximum width, said balancing device being mounted radially between said rim and said section of maximum width.
- 24. (Thrice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> according to claim 20, wherein said tire further comprises [a sidewall] <u>an inboard sidewall and an outboard sidewall</u>, said balancing device being radially mounted along <u>said inboard sidewall</u> [the inside of said sidewall].
- 25. (Thrice Amended) A wheel <u>assembly</u> according to claim [24] <u>20</u>, wherein said <u>tire further comprises an inboard sidewall and an outboard sidewall, said</u> balancing device <u>being</u> [is] radially mounted along <u>said outboard sidewall</u> [the outside of said sidewall].